



July 9, 2010

We had a Street's crew out bright and early this morning (actually, it was still dark when they started) giving the **historic monument on the square** a much-needed cleaning. The monument was last cleaned in the mid-1980's. We worked with the United Daughters of the Confederacy to provide for cleaning by the City. **Parks and Streets** have worked together to identify the best cleaning solution for the monument. **A special thanks to the crew led by Buddy Carter including John Carrington, Chris Brewer, and Hunter Hood for the extra effort and care involved in cleaning this important community icon.**

You can click on this link to see the article in the Williamson Herald on the cleaning:

<http://www.williamsonherald.com/home?id=71290>

The **City's Wellness Committee** is sprucing up the old Police Workout room in City Hall and will soon have a grand re-opening to launch the space as a work out area for **all City employees**. The room will feature the older equipment left by police, plus some new items donated by the wellness committee. Stay tuned for more information regarding this exciting new venture.

Monday, **Sgt. Charles Warner** will appear on **La Ley radio** with **Norma Berrones** translating. Warner will be speaking about how the Police Department encourages the Latino community to call the police, regardless of their immigration status, when they have been the victim of a crime. Too many times, crimes against members of this community go unreported because of fear. The Franklin Police Department is committed to helping all victims of crime, and putting the criminals who victimize them in jail.

Monday, the City is holding a second **public forum at 6:30 in the City Hall Boardroom on the Integrated Water Resources Plan (IWRP)**. At the public forum on July 12, citizens will be able to see a brief presentation about the status of the Integrated Water Resources Plan which includes modeling of the various water components and how they affect each other. Attendees will have an opportunity to speak with many of the participants in the process, including City officials, Representatives from the consultant team, and various stakeholders.

Wednesday, the City of **Franklin Tree Commission** will welcome **Mike Berkley** who will speak on **rain gardens**. Attendees will learn how to incorporate rain gardens into their landscaping design. The lecture will happen at 6:30 at City Hall in the Board room.

Reminder—tonight the **Parks and Solid Waste Department** are joining forces to celebrate the launch of the **City's first curbside recycling program, Blue Bag**. The Parks Department is showing their movie in the park at Pinkerton Park. Prior to the movie, beginning at 6:00 p.m., folks can get an up-close look at the new Blue Bag recycling trucks and meet "Buddy BlueBag" the recycling mascot and get a free blue bag. Mix 92.9 will be there with music and free popcorn. The movie will start about 8:00 p.m.

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